



Ascension Lutheran Church

2nd Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, June 14, 2020

WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

OPENING SONG

Gather Us In (v. 1-3)

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1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter, here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath - er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
Gath - er us in, the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the
Gath - er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath - er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion
make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

PRAYER

P: Let us pray...God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to God Forever, Steve Fee / Vicky Beeching

Before the world was made before You spoke it to be
You were the King of kings yes, You were, yes, You were
And now You're reigning still enthroned above all things
Angels and saints cry out we join them as we sing

Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God, forever
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God, forever

Creator God, You gave me breath so I could praise
Your great and matchless name all my days, all my days
So let my whole life be a blazing offering
A life that shouts and sings the greatness of our King (*Chorus*)

Take my life and let it be all for You and for Your glory
Take my life and let it be Yours
Take my life and let it be all for You and for Your glory
Take my life and let it be Yours, We sing (*Chorus*)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SONG OF PRAISE

Sow the Seeds

1. Sow the seeds of life, dear Lord. Help us grow by your word.
2. May our minds be made a - new by your word break - ing through

Life will bloom with bless - ings when we your voice have heard.
Let the sun come shin - ing in; — ev - 'ry heart re - new.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 9:35-10:8

P: The Holy Gospel for this day comes from the book of St. Matthew, the 9th chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother

Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
 C: Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION

Tony Acompanado

HYMN

Spirit of Gentleness (v. 1, 4)

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Refrain

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness

call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,

stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Refrain

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven, setting by Anne Krentz Organ

Don't forget your offering as we worship virtually. Send it in by mail, through our website (ascensionelca.org) or by text to 262-214-3681 with the amount to contribute.

PRAYERS & MUSIC

Please sing after each petition:

You Are My All in All, Dennis Jernigan

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name

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- P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs: Holy One, you bring us together and call us your own. Bless theologians, teachers, and preachers who help us grow in our faith. Guide your church, that we might be a holy people, trusting in your promises of grace and forgiveness. Give us eyes to see and respond with compassion to those who are harassed and helpless. Where we have created conflict and division, raise up leaders who will work to develop lasting peace and reconciliation. Protect and defend all who are abused. Heal all who are sick. Feed all who are hungry. Empower all whose voices go unheard and help us to respond to the pressing needs of our neighbors. Lord in your mercy ...
- P: Lord God, the whole earth is yours. Where there is fire, bring cool air and new growth. Where there is flooding, bring relief. Where there is drought, bring rain. Inspire us to care for what you have provided. You provide a plentiful harvest of gifts and resources, so prepare us to labor and gather the fruits of this congregation, that we might discover new ways of living. Minister to us in our work, that we do not lose heart. Lord, in your mercy ...
- P: Holy God, we ask that you hear our continued prayers for our brothers and sisters in El Salvador and Tanzania as well as at Cross in Milwaukee. Hear our prayers for those we love and in need of your compassionate and healing touch...especially this day we lift up to you Vicki Marien for healing following heart surgery, and Gail Simon who has been diagnosed with cancer in her lung. Lord in your mercy...
- P: Lord God, we ask that you hear our prayers both spoken and those too deep for words – come quickly Lord to answer them. Hold our joys as well as our concerns tenderly in your hands and sustain us in our journey. In your holy name we pray...

C:Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.



En - via - do soy de Dios, mi ma - no lis - ta es - tá
The Lord now sends us forth with hands to serve and give,
pa - ra cons - truir con él un mun - do fra - ter - nal.
to make of all the earth a bet - ter place to live.
Los án - ge - les no son en - via - dos a cam - biar
The an - gels are not sent in - to our world of pain
un mun - do de do - lor por un mun - do me - jor;
to do what we were meant to do in Je - sus' name;
me ha to - ca - do a mí ha - cer - lo rea - li - dad.
that falls to you and me and all who are made free.
A - yú - da - me, Se - ñor, a ha - cer tu vo - lun - tad.
Help us, O Lord, we pray, to do your will to - day.

SENDING

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE**I Love to Be in Your Presence, Ed Kerr / Paul Baloche**

I love to be in Your presence
With Your people singing praises
I love to stand and rejoice
Lift my hands and raise my voice
Lift my hands and raise my voice

You set my feet to dancing
You fill my heart with song
You give me reason to rejoice
Rejoice!